

**§301-10.3 What methods of transportation may my agency authorize me to use?**

Your agency may authorize:

- (a) Common carrier transportation (e.g., aircraft, train, bus, ship, or local transit system) under Subpart B;
- (b) Government vehicle under Subpart C;
- (c) POV under Subpart D; or
- (d) Special conveyance (e.g., taxi or commercial automobile) under Subpart E.

**§301-10.4 How does my agency select the method of transportation to be used?**

Your agency must select the method most advantageous to the Government, when cost and other factors are considered. Under 5 U.S.C. 5733, travel must be by the most expeditious means of transportation practicable and commensurate with the nature and purpose of your duties. In addition, your agency must consider energy conservation, total cost to the Government (including costs of per diem, overtime, lost worktime, and actual transportation costs), total distance traveled, number of points visited, and number of travelers.

**§301-10.5 What are the presumptions as to the most advantageous method of transportation?**

(a) *Common carrier.* Travel by common carrier is presumed to be the most advantageous method of transportation and must be used when reasonably available.

(b) *Government automobile.* When your agency determines that your travel must be performed by automobile, a Government automobile is presumed to be the most advantageous method of transportation.

**§301-10.6 What is my liability if I do not travel by the selected method of transportation?**

If you do not travel by the method of transportation required by regulation or selected by your agency, any additional expenses you incur will be borne by you.

**§301-10.7 How should I route my travel?**

You must travel to your destination by the usually traveled route unless your agency authorizes or approves a different route as officially necessary.

**§301-10.8 What is my liability if, for personal convenience, I travel by an indirect route or interrupt travel by a direct route?**

Your reimbursement will be limited to the cost of travel by a direct route or on an uninterrupted basis. You will be responsible for any additional costs.

**Subpart B—Common Carrier Transportation****§301-10.100 What types of common carrier transportation may I be authorized to use?**

You may be authorized to use airline, train, ship, bus, or local transit system.

**AIRLINE****§301-10.106 What are the basic requirements for using airlines?**

The requirements for using airlines fall into three categories:

- (a) Using contract carriers, when available;
- (b) Using coach class service, unless premium class or first-class service is authorized;
- (c) Using U.S. flag air carrier or (ship) service, unless use of foreign air carrier or (ship) is authorized.

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**USE OF CONTRACT CITY-PAIR FARES****§301-10.107 When must I use a contract city-pair fare?**

You must always use a contract city-pair fare (an Internet list of city-pairs is available at <http://pub.fss.gsa.gov/services/citypairs>), if you are a civilian employee of an agency (see §301-1.1 of this chapter), unless one or more of the following conditions exist(s):

- (a) Space or a scheduled contract flight is not available in time to accomplish the purpose of your travel, or use of contract service would require you to incur unnecessary overnight